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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	§	Confirmation No.: 7729
REPLACING THE FUNCTION OF FACET	§	
JOINTS	§	

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 2, 2006, applicant elects Group I, claims 1-4, 8-12, and 37-39.

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Respectfully submitted,

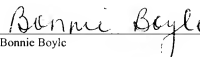

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